

particular, the Office Action clearly indicates that the subject matter of inventions I and II are both classified in class 102 though separate sub-classes. Thus, Applicants respectfully submit that the search and examination of the entire application could be performed without serious burden to the Examiner and not require a restriction.

In addition, Applicant's election of invention I does not require any election of species.

Regarding invention II drawn to a method of making the above article of manufacture on which at least claims 18-20 are readable, Applicants respectfully do not elect these claims but reserve the right to file, timely, a divisional application containing these claims.

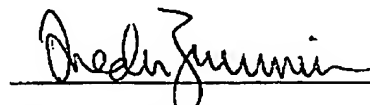
Early favorable prosecution on the merits is respectfully requested.

Should the Examiner find the application to be other than in condition for allowance, the Examiner is requested to contact the undersigned at the local telephone number listed below to discuss any other changes deemed necessary in a telephonic or personal interview.

Respectfully submitted,

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